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1. THIS IS TO INFORM EMBASSY THAT "WRAP UP" TEAM (REF A) TO OBSERVE AND REPORT ON LE VAUDREUILLE DEVELOPMENTS AND TO ASSESS NATURE OF FUTURE CONTINUED US COOPERATION ON THIS PROJECT WILL NOT REPEAT NOT BE FIELDDED BEFORE EARLY 1974. PLANNING AND SCOPE OF US VISIT IS CURRENTLY UNDER REVIEW AND POST WILL BE INFORMED WHEN DECISION REACHED.

2. TEAM WAS DESCRIBED AS "WRAP UP" ONLY IN CONTEXT COMPLETION OF GENERAL PLANNING PHASE OF PROJECT AND DISCONTINUANCE OF HUD-SUPPORTED URBAN AFFAIRS OFFICER POSITION BY DEC. 31. IT WAS HOPED THAT SUCH TEAM WOULD VISIT IN NOV./DEC. WHILE BRACE WAS STILL AT POST; HOWEVER, THIS WILL NOT NOW BE UNCLASSIFIED

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FEASIBLE.

3. HUD EXPECTS COMPREHENSIVE END-OF-TOUR REPORT FROM BRACE.
THIS SHOULD BE USEFUL DOCUMENT IN PLANNING FOR VISIT.

4. FYI: HUD, AS LEAD AGENCY, SEES COOPERATION ON LE VAUDREUIL
GOING INTO SECOND OR "MONITORING" PHASE, WITH AD HOC EX-
CHANGES OF DOCUMENTS AND EXPERTS CONTINUING AS DEVELOPMENTS
AND INTERESTS OF BOTH SIDES MAY INDICATE. HUD'S ESTIMATE IS
THAT FRENCH WITH US ASSISTANCE HAVE COMPLETED GENERAL PROJECT
PLANNING STAGE AND ARE INTO IMPLEMENTATION AND MANAGEMENT
PHASE. ACCORDINGLY, CONTINUED ASSIGNMENT OF US PLANNING ADVISER
IN PARIS IS NO LONGER JUSTIFIED. END OF BRACE ASSIGNMENT
SEEN AS LOGICAL ENDING OF FIRST PHASE WHICH APPEARED TO NEED
INTENSIVE, DAY-TO-DAY COOPERATION. US CONSIDERS THIS ASPECT
OF COOPERATION AS HAVING MORE THAN MET SCOPE AND DEPTH OF US
CONTRIBUTION AS ORIGINALLY PLANNED, I.E., BRACE'S ASSIGNMENT
FOR TWO YEARS WAS EXTENDED TO OVER THREE YEARS.

5. IN MEANTIME, BRACE REQUESTED TO SUBMIT BY FRIDAY, NOV.
30 OUTLINE SUMMARY OF MAJOR URBAN-RELATED EXCHANGES DURING
1973. END. KISSINGER

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